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Fully equipped to do all kinds of repair work
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Shops: Dearborn St., next Gresham blacksmith shop
A. A. Shearer, Blairmore

Premature gray hair is what causes the good to dye young. Fincher Station was the scene of a tragedy on Saturday morning last when Albert Todd, of Polson, Montana, was found beside the railroad track dead. Nobody, so far as is known, was witness to the tragedy. The body was found lying on its face with the clothes burned off almost entirely. Coroner J. H. Gillespie held an inquest

on Saturday afternoon and a verdict of death by misadventure was rendered. Apparently the unfortunate man had tried to jump off the train while it was still moving and in falling had fractured his skull and had set some matches alight in his pocket in the fall, thus accounting for the clothes being burned. Burial took place on Saturday evening at the Fincher Creek cemetery.

Bellevue Suffers \$150,000 Fire

Business Section of Prosperous Mining Town is Wiped Out

The most serious fire in the history of this section of the Crows' Nest Pass swept the business section of Bellevue practically off the map on Tuesday forenoon, destroying over twenty buildings and causing damage to the extent of about \$150,000. The fire is believed to have originated in a small barn at the rear of the Southern hotel, and the flames were seen to break loose at about 7.45 a.m. An alarm was made and in a short time large numbers of people were gathering around the scene. Efforts to stop the flames, however, proved futile, owing chiefly to an inadequate water supply, and in but a few moments the flames had spread to the Southern hotel and the adjoining buildings in that block. Efforts to stop the progress of the fire, elements proved entirely futile, until several blocks, including all but three of the business houses of the town were reduced to ashes, and had it not been for the splendid protection afforded by the Wheeler Farmer building, the only building of fire-proof construction in the town, scarcely a house on the Company town site would have remained standing. The flames were fanned by a brisk breeze from the north, but later, veering north from the west, which relieved somewhat the anxiety of people of the residential section, who had already gathered around their belongings and removed them to places of safety.

Efforts were made to save the contents of the stores, but the flames swept through them so rapidly that scarcely anything of value was saved.

The buildings and stocks destroyed included:

The McCutcheon Block, part of which was occupied as refreshment parlors. Loss estimated at \$9,000, on which we understand there was a small amount of insurance.

Cole's poolroom. Pool tables only were saved. Barber's chairs and equipment and pool room and bowling alley destroyed with building. Loss about \$4,000, partly covered by insurance.

Eagle Block, owned by T. M. Barnett, together with large stock of warehouse supplies. Building and stock said to be worth about \$6,000, partly insured. Several cars of flour were stored here but a few days previous.

Oddfellows' Hall and furniture and regalia, valued at \$1,000. Insured for \$500.

Eagle's Hall and furniture and regalia, valued at about \$500.

Evans Bros. Livery and Feed Stables, together with large quantity of hay, oats, etc., and harnesses and other stable and garage equipment, valued at about \$9,000. No insurance, policy having expired several days previously.

Southern Hotel, owned by Mrs. J. B. Rudd, together with several outhouses, valued at about \$10,000. No insurance.

Storehouse adjoining Southern Hotel, also owned by Mrs. Rudd. Valued at about \$4,000. No insurance.

Bellevue Café, Mar Ling & Co., proprietors. Building and equipment valued at \$8,500.

Partly insured. Lyric Theatre, operated by C. W. Johnston and owned by the Lyric Theatre Co., loss about \$4,000, partly covered by insurance.

T. M. Burnett's store and postoffice and all contents. Loss estimated at \$15,000, only partly insured.

Store and contents of the Bellevue Trading Company, valued at about \$7,500, partly covered by insurance.

Bellevue hotel. Loss about \$12,000. Partly insured.

Stable east of hotel and contents. Loss about \$2,000, partly covered by insurance.

The Boston Café, owned by Mah Ki & Co., valued with contents at about \$4,000. Insured for \$2500.

P. Burns & Co. store and Stables, valued at \$4,000. Insured.

Italian pool room and barber shop. Value about \$2800, partially covered by insurance.

Damage to the extent of about \$8,000 to the building of Wheeler & Farmer and stock of Maddad Bros. and A.R. Williams.

Damage to stock of Bellevue Pharmacy about \$1000.

Other buildings, including the hospital and residence of Dr. MacKenzie were considerably damaged by fire and water.

A number of patients were removed from the hospital when hope of saving that institution had been abandoned.

Firemen and fire apparatus were quickly on the scene from Coleman, Hillcrest, Blairmore and Frank, and rendered good service.

The Bellevue bridge was somewhat scorched, sufficient to make it dangerous to traffic and has been fenced off for the protection of the public.

Fire underwriters were on the scene on Wednesday, and it is expected that the work of rebuilding will go ahead immediately. There is talk of a number of five-story buildings of modern type replacing the frame structures.

During the progress of the fire, many thefts were committed, and we learn that the authorities will bring quite a number of parties known to have stolen goods in their possession to justice.

We learn that most of the business people have started up in temporary quarters and are reporting "business as usual."

P. Burns & Co. have opened up in a building just west of Geo. Knowles' blacksmith shop, and have already started to clear away the ruins to commence work on the foundation for a larger and more modern structure on the old site. Contractors are on the grounds and we hope by next week to be able to report the plans for the rebuilding of Bellevue's business section.

Central Union Church

Service on Sunday, morning at 11:30, noon at 7:30, and evening at 7:30. Sunday school meets at 10:30 a.m. JAMES FRISCH, Pastor.

Anglican Church

Service on Sunday next at 7:30, preacher Rev. C. H. Hughes of Edmonton. It means to be a church member. Sunday school as usual.

! Say !

Mothers, you want to fit out the

KIDS

for school. We have Sweaters, Odd Pants, Caps, Etc. Mind you

DON'T

send them shabby. You can

GO

to the Blairmore Trading Co. and fit them out and send them

TO SCHOOL

respectable on September 1st.

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THE STORE THAT SELLS FOR LESS

When **YOU** buy Flour

you want the Best. It's Five Roses, \$6.75 sack, \$3.45 3-ck

You **CAN'T** buy

better Spuds than B.C. \$3.50 per sack, \$1.80 half sack.

You can **GET** New Apples \$1.65 a case

Tomatoes are coming in every day and getting cheaper

Ask for our price before buying.

For a **BETTER** break-

fast try a can of HERRINGS in Tomato Sauce at 25c. We have Pure Jam from 25c per can up. Jelly Pies, 3 for 25c.

For best **VALUE** in Fruits

of all kinds. Give us your orders. Prices changing

every day.

J. Handley

Phone 52

Opening of Agricultural School at Claresholm

The Provincial Agricultural School at Claresholm will re-open Tuesday, October 2nd, 1917.

Courses are offered in Practical Agriculture and Household Science.

No entrance examination is required.

The course is absolutely free.

The minimum age of admission for boys is fifteen, and for girls sixteen.

Prospective students should apply at once.

For calendar and further particulars, communicate with Honorable Duncan Marshall, Minister of Agriculture, Edmonton, or

W. J. Stephens, B.A., B.S.A.

Principal School of Agriculture, Claresholm.

Sergt. James R. Irwin Wounded in Action

A Word has been received by Mrs. Irwin, of Cowley, that her husband, Sergt. James R. Irwin, has been wounded in action.

Sergt. Irwin is well known in this district, having for a couple of years been employed as chief of police of the town of Blairmore.

He enlisted with the Second American Legion, but later transferred to the 192nd, when that battalion began recruiting under Lieut. Colonel Lyon.

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Frank Boy Killed in Action

Mr. Emil Dypolt, of Frank, has received a message from Ottawa, stating that his son, Anton, had been killed in action in one of the recent drives.

Pte. Anton Dypolt enlisted and went overseas as a private with the 192nd battalion. He was a smart and promising young man of about 19 years.

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Fire Fire Fire

We beg to announce to our patrons that, until our new store is erected, we have secured temporary quarters in the Christie building, just west of Knowles' blacksmith shop, Bellevue, where their needs will be catered to as usual. Watch for our sign, or phone

P. Burns & Co., - Bellevue

Caught By Handwriting

What Happened to German Spy in the Russian Army

Arkady Sidorovich Mogin sat in a French reading a letter which filled him with amazement. The letter was from his brother.

"Come home, Arkady Sidorovich," the important part ran. "Do not delay. We are having a very severe cold, dysentery and perhaps cholera. You must make haste for soon all will have been killed. It is Prince Arkady's hand, the most terrible in the province. Your wife and children are well and expect you."

This was news, but it was not the news that caused Arkady Sidorovich to be so astonished. It was the handwriting. His brother had always employed the village poet to write his infrequent letters, and Arkady Sidorovich knew that this letter was not in the poet's hand.

He looked at his bare feet thoughtfully. They were better now, thanks to favorable weather. Some of the other men were suffering from dysentery, talking together excitedly. A few had already deserted to go home. Of the remainder a number were sick and certain to follow, but fully half of the company, having got some food, were already bracing themselves to follow.

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Arkady Sidorovich suddenly rose and, walking quickly, he approached the hut where Comrade Jensen had his abode.

It was late in the afternoon, a time when the good natured Jensen always napped. Sidorovich, dressed formally in command of the regiment, then was no guard at the door. Arkady Sidorovich knocked loudly, but got no answer. The door was ajar and he entered without being asked to make sure that Comrade Jensen was sleeping.

When he saw that Comrade Jensen was sleeping, he returned for advice on the subject of the letter from home.

Craning his neck he looked at the cot, but there was no sign of a sheet of paper written upon, lay on an up-padded box. With a glance he saw that the man who had been near Arkady Sidorovich yielded to childish curiosity. He stepped inside and closed the sheet of paper.

It was a partial room, the regiment and opposite certain names were double checked. These were the names of men who had deserted. Other names, including that of Arkady Sidorovich, were marked with a single check against them. A note at the bottom of the sheet explained by two words unfamiliar to the peasant soldier. One check mark meant "deserted," two check marks meant "killed."

"Kegans." Whatever they were, but another sheet caught the eye of Arkady Sidorovich. It seemed to be part of a letter to a fellow soldier. "Come home, Pavlo Arkadyevich," it ran. "Do not delay. We are having a glorious time. The land is being divided."

The handwriting! With a great growl of complaining, the peasant turned to see Comrade Jensen entering the room. The two men faced each other; then the Russian sprang upon the German and flung him to the ground, his fingers sinking into the throat with an unrelenting grip.

Drowning Accidents

Many Lives Uselessly Sacrificed Through Carelessness

Each year many lives are lost by drowning accidents. Carelessness and bravado are the chief causes, consequently many lives might be saved by the exercise of caution.

Learning to swim is of course the first essential in the preventing of drownings, but, even in this, there is an element of danger, as the learner is often tempted to go too deep before fully competent to take care of himself. To keep within the limit is the only safe way for the beginner.

Carelessness in the use of rowboats and canoes has claimed many victims. Ordinary common sense only necessary to overcome these drowning accidents. These frail craft are only intended for the use of those who know how to use them, and safety depends upon the occupants refraining from moving about.

The use of high-speed motor boats of late has added its chapter to the record of lives lost by drowning. Lack of speed restrictions in our inland lakes and rivers has encouraged the "speed fiend," and consequently many accidents are due to his running down and swamping rowboats and canoes, as well as collisions with other motor boats.

These accidents are avoidable, and the most elementary application of safety first principles would save a Canada many needlessly wasted lives.

Assist in the work of preventing accidents by your own safe and efficient use of the good of our country at large.

W. N. U. 1169

Benefits Of Fresh Air

Proper Ventilation Essential to Good Health and Efficiency

Fresh air is one of our unlimited natural resources, available at all seasons and at all hours. It is essential to life and good health.

Recent years more attention has been paid to its beneficent influence in this regard, but far too many people regard fresh air as a means for the cure of such diseases as pneumonia and tuberculosis; it is not adequately recognized as the greatest general preventive.

Nature has done her part in supplying pure air. Wherever the opportunity is afforded, the air is continually changing by natural methods.

Man, however, has rendered this effort of nature largely negatory by building houses, factories and offices almost airtight, in which the air becomes stagnant and unwholesome.

The consequence is that the occupants, continuously breathing the same air, rapidly become drowsy and incapable of giving of their best efforts.

In the houses of our people, germs should be kept out of the building fresh and pure air. Rooms should be thoroughly ventilated and have one window open.

The air is being continuously changed, and this is the only way to accomplish this by the opening of windows. A cross draught of air from the window gives the best results; otherwise, a change of air will not be secured by entering the upper shaft to permit the foul air to escape, and raising the lower one.

The blind to the top to facilitate the change of air, and the lower blind, insert a few inches of netting at the bottom.

Public health should be a primary consideration. Pending the improvement of houses and living conditions, people can do much to secure greater health and efficiency by the use of the open window to admit fresh and pure air.

Storing Ice

Custom Has Been Practised for Many Centuries

The storage of ice for summer use has been a custom of the earliest nations. The Greeks, for instance, constructed icehouses hundreds of years before Christ.

Alexander the Great, we are told, had a large icehouse, and filled it with snow, which was covered over with layers of leaves.

The ice or frozen snow was not a decession required both as an iced storage and also to cool their drinks. The Romans also enjoyed the custom of storing ice.

generally ice them by putting ice into the liquid. At a later period the Turks, improving upon Alexander's method, had well constructed vaulted cellars in which they stored large blocks of ice, filling up the interstices with snow, so that the whole formed a solid block or small iceberg.

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Interesting Letter From Front Trenches

(Continued.)

We recently were successful in getting a bond. The instrument was donated by an Edmonton outfit with the proviso that they be sent back to the Edmonton army after the war.

There is one Saskatchewan battalion in each of the Canadian divisions at the front and it has been stated that a grant of \$1000 may be made to the province of Saskatchewan to two of these battalions. This might not be true. It is a well known fact that every battalion in the divisions which followed the first into the field had a very substantial regimental fund.

These funds were created by gifts of money from the towns and the cities where the battalions were organized and from profits on regimental entertainments which their long periods of training in Canada made possible as a result of the unfortunate experience of the first division at Valenciennes.

The colour of this battalion, and some of its friends purchased very nice one thousand pairs of socks for the boys, but of course unless we get funds from somewhere our private resources as our regimental funds will soon be exhausted and there will undoubtedly be great discomfort.

It may not be possible for the province to grant money out of its treasury, but I am satisfied that if the prominent citizens would take the matter up, the people would be very willing and even anxious to help us along. You must be aware of the reputation which this battalion has gained. I have sent you a copy of the Canadian annual. In this you will read what the senior Canadian General said of the Fifth. But your friends have been altered by the war, so I am now enclosing General Currie's statement in his own handwriting, which I will add to the letter.

I could tell you many things but I do not think it is necessary. It is stated that the Fifth Battalion has gained more honors and decorations in the field than any other Canadian battalion. This is especially mentioned in despatches and after one's trying experience Sir Douglas Haig said, "I am proud to have a battalion of this description in my army."

As to how the war is going to end, I am sure that the men in the trenches have not the slightest doubt. They are the great

unit, and I am sure you all have every reason to feel proud of Saskatchewan's representatives in the first Canadian division.

Will you not take the matter up in a vigorous way and perhaps a sort of Fifth Battalion day could be declared throughout the province? We had recently a draft of 250 men from Western and Eastern so men like Mitchell and Howison, which ought to be interested. Of the thousands of reinforcements we have had on the boys and besides being a very gallant and capable soldier is a kind and big-hearted gentleman. I have told him that I wished to address you in connection and he has consented. Will you be so kind as to communicate with him about the battalion and its affairs?

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at optimists in the empire. Even in the dark days, now happily past, our men were very, very scarce on the front, when we had little artillery and less ammunition, the same optimism prevailed. The British soldier still had his bayonet and was anxious to use it.

Now it is no longer three rounds in one per day. We can give and we can give more than we receive, still we do not yet give enough. More men and more guns are necessary and Canada must see to it that more men and please don't forget our returned wounded.

But I am wandering somewhat from my subject. I intimated in my opening sentence that the 5th Battalion had been in France since the outbreak of the war. It is richly deserved that all these friends should be interested in the 5th Battalion's record. No battalion in all our gallant corps has a prouder one. During the twenty-one months, the battalion has fought in France, it has been "here the passage" many times, has never failed to reach its objective, and has been through the mud, a single inch of trench captured or occupied. It enjoys the absolute and implicit confidence of its commanding officers and the measure of a unit's efficiency is the amount of confidence placed in it. The Fifth has not only a gallant and gallant performance every day, nobly responded to every demand, patiently and cheerfully on duty, every hardship and discomfort. It has made many sacrifices, and these have not been made in vain. A standard of devotion to duty has been set, which must be emulated.

The record of its fighting prowess fills many a page in the glorious history of the deeds of our gallant corps so proudly wear the word Canada on their shoulder straps, and the half has not yet been told. It has been mentioned in despatches by the commander-in-chief. It has played the game. Thank God for such battalions as the Fifth, and there are many such in Britain's mighty and victorious army.

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Three Mammoth Improvements Terminal Ready for Tunnel Under the Channel.

Great Britain is contemplating three improvements to the communication—tunnel to France under the English channel, a tunnel connecting England and Ireland under the Irish channel, and a canal between the Forth and Clyde rivers.

The first project is so far advanced that it is a newspaper in London is able to outline a number of the details of the work of the project.

It is estimated the work will take six years in the most favorable circumstances.

Work on the tunnel will be vigorously prosecuted the moment the British government gives the word.

The French participants in the project are all ready to do their share. They have obtained the legal permission to construct the tunnel.

The necessary capital, despite the financial drainage of the war.

The French government many years ago made plan available for a tunnel between England and France.

The tunnel will connect with the main railway in London.

It is proposed to start operations on a small scale, with only a few hundred laborers.

Nearly will be a fully equipped hospital for the treatment of accident victims.

Sore Heals Quickly—Have you a persistent sore that refuses to heal?

Co-Operating With American Fleet Brazil Helping to Hunt German Sea Raiders

Brazil's navy has begun co-operating with the American fleet in South America.

Sending of a special diplomatic mission to Brazil to arrange for greater co-operation of forces.

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Enemy Aviators Afraid

Captured Field Relates W. H. He 810 to Earth Instead of Behind Own Lines

German aviators are being told by their superiors that they should not be afraid of the French or Americans.

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Why Don't Restaurants Use Sticky Fly Paper

Instead of Nauseating Guests With the Oxy Fly Paper

Now that fly time is again with us, diners at many restaurants are forced to take the life and make summer dining a delectable pleasure.

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No Sixty ever does REDFATH quality, because in its Sixty years of use no one has ever bought barrel, bag or carton of poor Redfath sugar. It is made in one grade only—the highest.

"Let Redfath Sweeten it."

Canada Sugar Refining Co., Limited, Montreal.

Scarcity of Food Much Less

Allies Cannot Hope to Conquer Enemy by Starvation

A special correspondent who has just returned from an extensive trip through Germany and Austria, going as far south as Trieste, came with the impression that the allies should not hope to conquer the enemy by starvation.

He says the scarcity of food is much less than a short time ago, because vegetables are plentiful in the central portion.

The correspondent was with the Austrian troops on the Isonzo front; they lacked nothing of food.

In the Carso region only water was needed. Yet there were more than two litres of water daily for each soldier.

In Vienna the correspondent stood in crowds lined before the Market hall, the milk and butter shops.

Nowhere did he hear of any one expressing a desire for peace. They complained, rather seriously, about the lack of sugar, of course, of the small bread ration.

They said, in effect, rather sarcastically, that they had been going on for three years. Why not for two more years?

These Viennese seemed to be convinced that if they closed their eyes and "efforted" their food, they will become accustomed to any substitute for any food.

The Pill That Brings Relief—When, after one has taken of a meal, he is oppressed by feelings of fullness and pain in the stomach, he suffers from dyspepsia, which will persist if it is not dealt with. Parley's Vegetable Pills are the very best medicine that can be taken to bring relief. These pills are specially compounded to deal with dyspepsia, and their sterling qualities in this respect can be vouched for by legions of men.

Facilitating Train Movements in U. S. American Roads Taking Drastic Measures to Speed Up Freight Shipments

In order to facilitate train movements, and release passenger train crews for other work, the railroads of the United States are making drastic reductions compared to which those in Canada early this year appear mild.

Thus, for instance, the Pennsylvania railroad has eliminated no less than 102 trains, or more than double the number taken off the whole of the Canadian railroads.

This will cut down the passenger movement by an amount of 2,268,000 train miles per annum, or over 6,000 train miles every week.

A number of other Canadian railroads are being dismembered, and Maine has taken off no less than 55 trains, or more than five times the number taken off in Canada.

Japan's Shipping For American Steel Arrangements Under Way Whether U. S. Will Secure Trans-Pacific Facilities

The Japanese government is making arrangements with the United States government whereby Japan will get steel in exchange for ships.

The first part of the agreement will be that the United States expedite shipments of steel for Japanese ships.

Japan, in return, will send about 50,000 tons of ships to carry the machinery and equipment for the steel plants.

A further effort will be made by Japanese ship builders to induce the Goethals to order ships for the emergency.

These ship owners say they can complete steel steamers and have them on commission in four months if they get the steel.

American producers have been offering Japanese ship builders a high as 12 cents a pound for fabricated steel plates.

Deliveries and ship orders at short notice. The steel plates are being delivered in four months if they get the steel.

The same authority says that Japan is now working on the Mediterranean and the Atlantic war zones.

Uncle Eben—I hear your boy has joined the Aviation Corps. I'm afraid Eben—Yes, and I'm afraid he won't make good.

Eben—What makes you think so? Uncle Eben—He's too down-forgotten that he's liable to take the machine up and come down without it.

—Puck.

The Wrong Flag

Only the Union Jack Should Be Flown on Land in Canada

If a flag is to be regarded merely as a bit of bunting that may be used along with any other bit of colored cloth, for decorative purposes, no body need feel concerned as to the manner in which it is used.

But flags are to be, as they should be, national symbols, there should be an intelligent study of them so that they may be used only in the proper way.

There is need of such study in Canada. Although frequent efforts have been made to instruct the public respecting the proper flag to be shown in Canada there is still influential material.

One of the most common errors is the widespread use of the wrong flag, the Union Jack, which is the flag of the British Empire.

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Germans Public Unhappy

The crown council called by Emperor William was held in Berlin, according to an Exchange Telegraph despatch from Amsterdam, but no announcement as to what took place at the gathering has been made.

"The German public is very uneasy regarding the absence of news as to the decisions of the crown council since July 1914, when Emperor William signed the mobilization order for Russia against universal direct suffrage and the secret ballot.

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A woman is not always responsible for a man's bald head.

"Doc" Little is negotiating for the purchase of Dr. Martiney's horse.

Mayor Hardie, of Lethbridge, has been elected president of the Union of Alberta municipalities.

The marriage took place at Fernie last week of Mrs. Kennedy, of Coleman, to Mrs. H. Matheson, of Saulty.

Mrs. H. H. Fitzsimmons is moving from Frank to Blairmore this week end, to take up residence on State Street.

Dad Thomas is a draper, and says that a preacher has a snap for he never cuts his finger when tying a knot.

An exchange says: "Turkish prisoners in British hands number \$134,000." Does it mean that Turks are worth a dollar each?

Mrs. D. R. McIvor and children, of Cowley, and Mrs. Alex. McIvor, of Calgary, attended the I.O.O.F. picnic at Cross' Nest Lake on Wednesday.

Earl Grey, former governor-general of Canada, died at Howick Hall, Northumberland, England, on Wednesday morning, following a long illness.

Statisticians tell us that twenty-five million babies are born into the world each year, about seventy a minute, or more than one every second.

One of The Pass churches is contemplating holding a marriage service every week for the balance of the year. Things must be picking up, or the preachers are getting blamed optimistic.

The I.O.O.F. picnic, held at Cross' Nest Lake on Wednesday was well attended. Quite a number of people were present from points as far west as Fernie and as far east as Cowley.

The many local friends of Dr. A. H. Baker will be interested in knowing that he has enlisted with the army medical corps being recruited at Calgary, and hopes soon to be going overseas.

A local character, who for some time has been winning fame by not paying his just bill, on learning of the demise of Earl Grey, remarked to his informant: "Well, well. In the midst of life we are in death."

The relief steaming steamer Neptune, commanded by Capt. Robert Bartlett, which set out a couple of months ago for the Arctic regions in search of the MacMillan expedition party, has been reported off the coast of Labrador, having on board the party who were picked up in Greenland.

The smallest baby ever born alive in the British Isles was the male child of Mr. and Mrs. Tracey, of Kingsbridge, and weighed exactly ten ounces. Its head was the bigger than a horse-chestnut, the mouth would barely admit a goosequill, while the mother's wedding ring would slip easily up its arms and thighs.

Two hundred Canadian officers were recently returned to Canada who decided to quit rather than revert to the ranks. It is hard to understand men who have drawn ten years' pay and taken two years' training, being willing to return without rendering some service to the Empire. But, then, who would want to follow such men into battle?—Ex.

Canadian soldiers who married since the war began naturally are gratified at the new order-in-council, which cancels the regulations requiring that the engagement to marry must have existed prior to the war. The new order is retroactive, and wives are entitled to draw allowances due since the date of their marriage. It is also provided that, where a soldier neglects to apply for an allowance, the wife may apply through his commanding officer.

OF LOCAL AND GENERAL INTEREST

Good Riding Saddle for sale. Cheap. Apply to W. Shaw.

J. M. Jenkins, of Coleman, is reported wounded in action.

Great damage has been done to crops in Great Britain by rains and winds.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Lynch-Staunton and some friends were up from Pincher Creek on Wednesday.

Alberta White, a returned soldier, was run over by a car at Edmonton and died from injuries.

The Alberta Grand Lodge of the Bannockburn is to be held at Medicine Hat on Monday next.

Private Kenneth Crawford, of Cowley, has been wounded in action. Private Crawford went overseas with the 192nd.

The provincial telephone department is advertising tenders for the construction of a telephone exchange building at Cowley.

Damage to the extent of several thousand dollars was done to a warehouse and stock belonging to H. G. Goodeve at Coleman last week by fire.

The marriage of Miss Virginia Jane Cunningham, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Cunningham, of Spokane, formerly of Lethbridge, to Hugh Wilson Pettit, of Cowley, was solemnized at Spokane last week.

Immediately after October the 1st, plans for a mammoth irrigation system to extend from Blairmore to Fernie, with connection at Coleman, will be submitted to the Dominion government for its approval. By the new system many dry belts will be saturated.

His Lordship Bishop McNally, of Calgary, visited The Pass on Sunday last and administered the Sacrament of Confirmation at Coleman. Blairmore Methodist Service was held at the Blairmore church at 10 a.m., when some nineteen candidates were admitted.

A few nights ago we were entering the local postoffice and met a Chinaman who had just opened up a Chinese place on the front page of the local paper, which was decorated with prominent characters. "Look," he says, "Chinamen go war, kill all the Germans. Pretty soon no more Germans fight. Chinamen lots more—beeg fight!"

An Irishman coming out of other in the ward after an operation exclaimed suitably: "Thank God! That's over!" Don't be so sure, said the man in the next bed, "You left a sponge in me and had to cut me open again." And the patient on the other side said, "Why they had to open me, too, to find one of their instruments." Just then the surgeon who had operated on the Irishman stuck his head in the door and yelled, "Has anybody seen my hat?" Poor Patrick faints.

The following among resolutions were adopted by the Orangemen in convention in Winnipeg and wired to Premier Borden:

"We demand that conscription be enforced at once in every part of Canada.

"That the aliens be disfranchised, or, failing that, segregated.

"That all conscientious objectors to military service be disfranchised.

"That the nearest male kin be permitted a proxy vote for the prisoner of war.

"That the nearest female kin over twenty years of age be given the vote of the soldier overseas.

"That we stand united for a coalition win-the-war government."

Dr. O. Little returned this week from a visit to Vancouver and Victoria.

Inspector Sterling of the Alberta department of mines, was in town on Wednesday.

Miss Christina McLeod returned Sunday morning from a visit to friends in Lethbridge.

Mr. and Mrs. W. McVey returned Friday night from an auto tour over the prairies.

Miss Gregory, of the Comptolton, is visiting with her brother at Roseland for a couple of weeks.

Two sons of A. Archibald of Edmonton, died suddenly of cholera infantum at Pugwash, N.S., last week.

A meeting of the local committee of the Patriotic Fund was held in The Enterprise office on Monday night.

J. L. Parker, promoter of the new copper country at Elkton, was down from Calgary on Tuesday of this week.

Live people can build a town and make it grow, even in a desert, or on the top of a mountain. Dead ones would wreck a Chicago in a short time with their hammers.

D. R. McKay, of Lethbridge, brother-in-law of the late Andrew Hood, accompanied Mr. Hood's remains to Hillcrest on Wednesday morning and was present at the burial.

During the progress of the fire at Bellevue on Tuesday morning a fireman was seen to stop and light his pipe. That's business. Such a man if in the firing line would be apt to ask the Kaiser to stop his dirty work while he took a rest.

Dr. S. G. Bland has been nominated as candidate for centre Winnipeg as a "wir the war" candidate. He is one of Canada's strongest men and will be heard from if he gets a seat in parliament. It is reported that he will not be opposed.

It is estimated that this year 15,000 "additional" acres are under vegetable cultivation in New York City. Formerly real estate agents insisted that home buyers should plant nothing but flowers, shrubs or trees. This year the agents have not only reversed that condition but they have given every foot of vacant land to vegetable cultivation. In some cases they themselves had the land prepared for sowing and planting and in others anybody willing to till them could take the vacant lots, practically for nothing or for a small percentage of the production. Several committees had the work of management in hand, one being known as the Food Supply Committee and another as the committee on Food Gardens. These committees obtained a hundred carloads or 90,000 bushels of seed potatoes from Maine for distribution. They also supplied other varieties of seed. Before the Food Gardens committee was formed there were twenty organizations doing the work they are now doing. The Park Commissioners of Manhattan, Brooklyn and the Bronx are at the head of the movement in each of their districts. In the first week of the work the portions of their lands, which the committee appropriated out from previously waste and meadow land 1200 plots of an average size of a quarter of an acre. Even the golf clubs around the city have gone in for production by ploughing up portions of their links. Well-to-do people generally have shown a disposition to help, either by surrendering land, subscribing money or loaning implements.

School reopened at Hillcrest last week.

Don't forget the Labor Day sports at Hillcrest on Monday next.

The Chatsworth guarantors at Bonif had to meet a deficit of \$108.55.

It is estimated that the war has cost Germany to date \$15,000,000,000.

The Dominion government is preparing to develop the Waterton Lakes park.

Some automobile owners would like to be seen and not heard, but that's impossible!

Some local folks will spend Monday in British Columbia, "hosing around"—the bars.

A report from Ottawa denies that the manufacture of munitions in Canada is to be discontinued.

John N. Wilkes, president of the Wilkes-Owens Co., has been made president of the Curtis Aero-plane Co.

Typhoid and dysentery are rampant in Germany and population is dying off by hundreds in the big cities.

Miss V. J. Keith will return this week end from Calgary, where she has been spending part of her summer vacation.

"Dad" Beach will return this week end from a vacation spent with his daughter, Mrs. (Dr.) Macdonald, at Gull Lake.

FOR SALE. Good Second-hand, large six-bolted Cooking Range. High-Chase Make. Also a Small Heater. Apply to W. Shaw.

The furniture and fixtures of the old Alberta hotel at High River were seized by the secretary-treasurer of that town and sold by public auction for taxes due the town.

The Blairmore public school will reopen on Tuesday next with the following staff: Principal Pearson, Misses E. M. Fulton, V. J. Keith, E. L. Foster, A. F. Roope and S. McColm.

The German sea raider Seeadler, which raided in South American waters last winter, has been sunk after a battle with a British warship. Only a few of her crew were saved.

A woman who was tried for murder in San Francisco recently was acquitted. As the foreman announced the verdict, the woman, a comely young music teacher, jumped from her seat and kissed each juror.

Both the Eskimos charged with the murder of Fathers Laroque and Rouvire in the far north were found guilty by the court at Calgary. The jury recommended mercy and sentence of death has been commuted to life imprisonment on Herchel Island.

Dr. J. C. Miller, the district vocational officer of the military hospital commission, is running an excursion for returned soldiers from Ogden down as far as Strathmore today and is assisted by the Calgary auto club. Fifty soldiers, who are taking courses in agriculture, are enjoying the trip.

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